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NASA'S DRAMATIC SMASH HIT OF SPACECRAFT INTO ASTEROID

The collision was intentional and designed to test whether space rocks that could threaten Earth can be intercepted

IMPACT EXPECTED TO ALTER ROCK'S ORBIT

The US space agency's Double Asteroid Redirection Test (DART) probe smashed into the asteroid moonlet Dimorphos, a small body 160 metres in diameter. DART's camera returned images right up to the moment of impact. Researchers expect the impact to shorten Dimorphos' orbit by about 1%. Dimorphos orbits a larger 780-metre asteroid called Didymos

SCIENTISTS TO KEEP TRACKING DIMORPHOS

- However, it will take some weeks before scientists on the Nasa mission know for sure whether their experiment has worked
- Post impact, which happened 11 million km away from Earth, the team will observe Dimorphos using ground-based telescopes to confirm its orbit around Didymos has indeed been altered

22,000 km/hr

THE SPEED AT WHICH NASA'S SPACECRAFT CRASHED INTO ASTEROID DIMORPHOS

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FAREWELL, FRIEND

Prime Minister Narendra Modi pays respects to former Japanese premier Shinzo Abe during the state funeral, at Nippon Budokan in Tokyo, Japan on Tuesday

Abe, 67, was assassinated by a gunman on July 8. Modi had a private meeting with Akie Abe, the widow of Abe, at the Akasaka Palace

Earlier in the day, Modi had a fruitful meeting with his Japanese counterpart Fumio Kishida, where they discussed various bilateral issues

Representatives from over 100 countries, including heads of state and governments, attended the funeral

IN PRE-DAWN RAIDS, 70 PFI MEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY IN K'TAKA

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

IN continuation with the massive crackdown against the Popular Front of India (PFI) last week, the Karnataka police early Tuesday morning took 70 people into preventive custody from across the state. Informed sources told TNIE that those with past history of anti-social behaviour and those who had protested against the arrest of 15 PFI members leading to law-and-order problem last week, have been taken into preventive custody.

"The police after preparing the Preventive Action Report (PAR) of the detainees have produced them before the Tahsildar. They will have to submit third party sureties of good behaviour to the former for their release. Until such time, they will be held in preventive custody," said sources. "In some districts, sureties have been submitted to the Tahsildar, in others the procedure is underway," they added. Breach of sureties will lead to punitive action against those released on sureties.

The state police last week arrested 15 PFI cadres from 18 premises of PFI members in Bengaluru and Mangaluru cities, Dakshina Kannada district, Shivamogga, Koppala, Davanagere, Udupi, Mysuru and Kalaburagi under Sections 120B, 121, 121(a) and 153 (a) of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) for criminal conspiracy, waging war against the government of India, conspiracy to commit offences and promoting enmity between religious communities in the First Information Report (FIR) (328/22) registered against them at the KG Halli police station in Bengaluru East.

In Kalaburagi, police raided the residences of two PFI activists - Mazar Hussain and Isamuddin - residents of Iqbal Colony, and took them into custody. P4

No raids, only preventive measures, says CM

Bengaluru: Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai on Tuesday clarified that the police took preventive measures through the respective tahsildars by detaining the Popular Front of India (PFI) activists. "No raids were conducted on the PFI members. Based on inputs, police took certain preventive measures. Similar measures have been taken in other states too," he told reporters.

India joins elite club with cryogenic facility

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

PRESIDENT Droupadi Murmu on Tuesday inaugurated the Hindustan Aeronautical Limited's (HAL) highly-ambitious Integrated Cryogenic Engine Manufacturing Facility (ICMF), which will cater to the entire rocket manufacturing and assembly under one roof for the Indian Space Research Organisation. The facility seeks to boost self-reliance in manufacturing high-thrust rocket engines.

The President said the inauguration of the facility is a historic moment not only for HAL and ISRO, but for the entire country. "India is the sixth country in the world to have cryogenic engine manufacturing capabilities.", Murmu said.

The ICMF is set up over an area of 4,500 sq mts, housing over 70 hi-tech equipment and testing facilities for manufacturing Cryogenic (CE20) and Semi-cryogenic Engines (SE2000) of Indian Space Launch Vehicles.

With the establishment of the ICMF, India has joined the elite club of cryogenic engine manufacturing countries like the US, France, Japan, China & Russia. P2,4

President Droupadi Murmu at HAL in Bengaluru on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADENAL

Cong carrot and stick to resolve Rajasthan revolt

SHAHID FARIDI @ New Delhi

THE Congress leadership on Tuesday tried a carrot and stick approach to deal with Ashok Gehlot's refusal to hand over Rajasthan chief ministership to his detractor and former deputy Sachin Pilot.

While on the one hand senior party leaders engaged the chief minister and continued efforts to persuade him to resign and enter the race for the party president's post, on the other, the ground is being prepared for taking disciplinary action against Gehlot's closest ministers Shanti Dhariwal and Mahesh Joshi, who spearheaded the rebellion against signing a resolution authorising interim Congress president Sonia Gandhi to appoint a new chief minister after Gehlot's nomination as a presidential candidate.

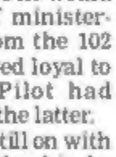
Sources said senior leaders, including Ambika Soni, are still trying to convince Gehlot to take up party presidency after relinquishing the chief minister's post. He has been told that the party leadership is ready to put the ugly episodes of Jaipur behind and get on with the organisational elections. Party leaders at Delhi have not lost hope of Gehlot acceding to the high command's wishes. They did not rule out the possibility of Gehlot visiting Delhi to meet Sonia soon to resolve the differences.

Gehlot is not averse to giving up chief ministership and entering the presidential race. But he does not want Pilot as his successor. He says he would hand over the chief ministership to any one from the 102 MLAs who had stayed loyal to the party when Pilot had walked out, but not the latter.

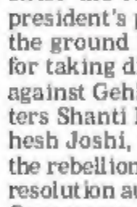
While talks were still on with Gehlot, the party leadership decided to take disciplinary action against Rajasthan parliamentary affairs minister Dhariwal, who had called the MLAs to his residence and prevented them from meeting Congress general secretary in-charge of Rajasthan Ajay Maken and central observer Mallikarjun Kharge. Besides, a show-cause notice was issued against the party's chief whip in the state Mahesh Joshi who failed to make any effort to bring the MLAs together to meet the two central leaders.

Dhariwal had also accused Maken of trying to persuade MLAs to back Sachin Pilot. He said Maken had come with an agenda to install Pilot who was considered a "traitor" by a majority of party MLAs because of his earlier bid to form a government with the help of the BJP.

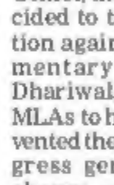
Gehlot loyalists in firing line



SHANTI DHARIWAL: Minister for Urban Development and Housing. Convened meet of MLAs in Gehlot camp at his home on Sunday ahead of the CLP meet scheduled for 7.30 pm. Their numbers swelled from about 25 around 6 pm to beyond 70 later



DHARMENDRA RATHORE Very close to Gehlot. State Tourism Development Corporation chairman. He is a political appointee. Was involved in the show of strength against the high command's diktat



MAHESH JOSHI: Congress Chief Whip. PWD Minister. Coordinated with loyalist MLAs, asking them to reach Dhariwal's house on Sunday night. Now says AICC observer Ajay Maken misread their actions

EXPRESS READ

India not for Russian oil price cap?

New Delhi: India has not had any issue in defence supplies from Russia and might not endorse a price cap on Russian oil, External Affairs Minister Dr S Jaishankar indicated after his meeting with US Secretary of State Anthony Blinken on Tuesday. "Oil price cap on Russian crude is a G7 initiative," he said suggesting India may not be on the same page. P9

Essay contest on Prophet triggers row

Hubballi: Members of a right-wing organisation on Tuesday staged a protest at a government school in Nagavi village of Gadag district demanding action against the principal for holding an essay competition on Prophet Muhammad last week. Following the protest, the education department has ordered an inquiry against principal Munaf Bijapur. P7

Man falls into open drain in B'luru, dies

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

GROSS negligence by civic authorities has claimed the life of a man who accidentally slipped and fell into a drain that was left open for more than three months. The deceased is Venkatesh K, 31, from Chitradurga. He was a tractor driver at a construction site in Nelagadaranahalli.

Venkatesh died after falling into the open drain while walking by the roadside in T Dasarahalli in Peenya around 11.30 pm on Sunday.

Passersby tried to rescue Venkatesh but in vain. The police, who have taken up a case against an assistant engineer and three other officials, said the slabs were removed to desilt the drain three months ago but the drain was not covered after the work was completed. "The residents of Rukmini Nagar and Vidyanagar had complained about the open drain and asked the BBMP to cover it or barricade it. But the BBMP officials did not bother to do it. We have checked CCTV footage of the incident which shows Venkatesh slipping into the drain," the police said. P3

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AWARD FOR ASHA PAREKH

The 79-year-old actress will be honoured with the highest recognition in Indian cinema during the 68th National Film Awards ceremony on Friday | P10

DOUBLE DELIGHT

Add glitter to fests as gold price falls

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

HERE'S some good news for the yellow metal lovers. In what can add glitter to Dasara and Diwali festivities, price of gold has been falling for the past five days. Trade analysts point out that federal banks in America are increasing their interest rates to fight inflation and people are investing more in dollars, which are the main reasons for the decline in gold price.

In Bengaluru, 10 grams of 22 carat gold was sold for Rs 46,550 on September 23 and on Tuesday the rate declined to Rs 45,850. Similarly, the price of 24 carat gold for 10 grams was Rs 50,780 on September 23 and on Tuesday it came down to Rs 50,020. The fall in gold price is unusual, as it normally goes up during Dasara and Diwali festivals every year.

Speaking to *TNIE*, Prof S R Keshva of Department of Economics, Bangalore University, said this is a business cycle where such trends are seen. Calling it a short-term phenomenon, he said this is the right time to invest in gold. "Once this period is over, gold price will start rising," he added. Price of gold in the international market has also fallen. "But the rate at which it has fallen is not reflected in the Indian gold market," he said.

T A Sharavana, President of Karnataka Jewellers Association, said the fall in the gold price will benefit both jewellers and buyers, as it is coinciding with two festivals which are round the corner.

EXPRESS INTAKE

Student, friend kidnap firm MD's son | P3

Drugs worth Rs 7.80 crore seized | P3

Cops use scans at Mysuru Dasara | P4

JDU, RJD step up attack on BJP | P9

CEC jibe on poll prediction | P10

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